

Friday, October 30

8:30 AM Welcome & Coffee

Morning Session

9:15 AM Opening Remarks – Nicholas Dunn (University of Lethbridge)

9:30 AM Julia Brassoletto (University of Lethbridge), “Representations of autonomy and vulnerability in Canadian Medical Assistance in Dying (MAID) legislation: A critical discourse analysis”

10:30 AM Bethany Simmonds (Aberystwyth University), Hermanpreet Singh (Cape Breton University), and Christopher Lyon (University of York), “MAiD and ageing: a commentary on the structure-agency debate in Canada”

Panel Session: MAiD and Dementia

11:30 AM Dionne Walsh (Alberta Health Services), Craig Brown, Tania Stilson

12:15 PM Lunch

Afternoon Session

1:30 PM Daryl Pullman (Memorial University), “Canadian MAiD Policy and Practice and the Erosion of Human Dignity”

2:30 PM Tracy Powell (Mount Royal University) & Tania Stilson, “The Relational Experience of MAiD: Family Members, Peer Support, and Lessons from Canada’s First Decade”

3:30 PM Margarita Baumgarten, Rahmatjon Anvarjonov, Adem Chlyah, and Emiliya Stolyarova, (University of Toronto), “Overlook: A software platform for MAID providers for a standardized workflow”

4 – 4:30 PM Break

Keynote

4:30 – 6 PM Madeline Li (University of Toronto / University Health Network), “Beyond the Request to Die: Avoiding the Collapse of Complexity Through Therapeutic Conversations”

Saturday, October 31

8:30 AM Welcome & Coffee

Morning Session

9:15 AM Carlos Pittella & Marc Keller (University of St. Gallen), “Death migrations: Mapping different perspectives of ‘suicide tourism’ in cultural objects reviewed in Assisted Lab’s archive”

10:15 AM Vanessa Rampton (McGill University), “Taking Stock: A Decade of Cultural Artefacts on MAiD in Canada”

Panel Session: Transferring Patients from Objecting Facilities for MAiD

11:15 AM: Dionne Walsh (Alberta Health Services), Mandy West (St. Michaels Health Centre), Jenn Schmidt-Rempel

12 PM: Lunch

Afternoon Session

1 PM Heidi Janz (University of Alberta), “The Ethical Implications of Creating Killable Classes: A Disability Ethics Critique of Canada’s MAiD Regime”

2 PM Alicia Duncan, “Stress-testing Canada’s MAiD oversight architecture: Lessons from one of Canada’s most extensively reviewed and contested MAiD Deaths”

3 – 3:30 PM Break

Keynote

3:30 – 5 PM Timothy Christie (Dalhousie University / Horizon Health Network), “Legal Eligibility Is Not Ethical Oversight: The Role of Professional Discretion in the Provision of MAiD”